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Charles L. Branch et al.	)	Before the Examiner:
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SYSTEMS AND TECHNIQUES FOR	)	May 26, 2006
ILLUMINATING A SURGICAL SPACE	)	

**RESPONSE TO FIRST OFFICE ACTION**

Commissioner of Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the non-final office action mailed February 27, 2006, in the above application, please consider the following. Please provide any extensions of time that may be necessary and charge any fees that may be due to Deposit Account No. 12-2424, but not to include any payment of issue fees.

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